

HOUSE BILL NO. 730

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A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING AN INSPECTION PERMIT FOR SANITARY PLUMBING OR POTABLE WATER SUPPLY PIPING INSTALLATIONS IN NEW SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENCES WITH CERTAIN CONDITIONS; PROVIDING THAT AN OWNER OF RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY MAY REPLACE A WATER HEATER OR INSTALL APPLIANCES WITHOUT A PLUMBING PERMIT; AND AMENDING SECTION 50-60-506, MCA."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

Section 1. Section 50-60-506, MCA, is amended to read:

"50-60-506. Exceptions to permit requirement. (1) A permit is not required for any minor replacement or repair work, the performance of which does not have a significant potential for creating a condition hazardous to public health and safety.

(2) (a) ~~A~~ Except as provided in subsection (2)(b), a permit is not required where when the installation is exempt under the provisions of 37-69-102 or 50-60-503.

(b) (i) The owner of a single-family residence who is exempt from licensing under 37-69-102 for installation of sanitary plumbing or potable water supply piping in the owner's own single-family residence shall obtain a permit if:

- (A) the single-family residence is new construction;
- (B) the plumbing or piping may be covered by walls, floors, or ceilings; and
- (C) the residence is connected to a public water supply or public sewage disposal system.

(ii) An owner who is licensed under Title 37, chapter 69, is not required to obtain a permit for any installation described in subsection (2)(b)(i).

(3) A state permit is not required whenever the installation occurs in an area governed by a county, city, or town and ~~where when~~ there is in effect a county, city, or town building code that covers plumbing installations and that provides inspection procedures.

(4) This part does not prohibit the owner of residential property from ~~making an installation for all sanitary plumbing and potable water supply piping~~ replacing a water heater or installing appliances without a permit if the



1 owner personally does the work.

2 (5) The provisions of this part do not apply to regularly employed maintenance personnel doing
3 maintenance work on the business premises of their employer unless the work is subject to the permit provisions
4 of this part."

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